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ALL CLASSES WILL BE OPEN ON WEDNESDAY 7TH JULY AND FRIDAY 9TH JULY

Dear Parents and Carers,

The National Education Union (NEU) has declared further strike action for next month. The dates are Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July.

The teacher strikes continue to happen because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teachers' pay and funding. Most state schools in England had a 5% pay rise for the year 2022-2023, however this has come directly out of the school budget, with no extra money provided from the government. Unions are calling for the government to match inflation with their pay offers and support school budgets by increasing funding.

I am pleased to inform you that the school will be fully open on both strike days next month. This does not mean our teachers are not in support of what the unions are trying to achieve, however, teachers would like to spend as much time as possible with their classes before they move on to their new year groups.

You should be aware that unions are continuing to ballot teachers for more strike action in the autumn term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Lindsey Hodgson
Head of School

